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LEADING AFRICAN-AMERICAN SCHOLAR TO DELIVER MLK DISTINGUISHED LECTURE

Michael Eric Dyson, one of the nation's leading scholars and authors on race and religion, will deliver the concluding lecture in this year's Martin Luther King, Jr. Distinguished Lecture Series Thursday, March 2, in Stinson Auditorium at Stillman College. The series is sponsored through a cooperative effort between the University of Alabama, Stillman College, and Shelton State.

Dyson will discuss his latest book **I may Not Get There With You: The True Martin Luther King, Jr.**

An ordained Baptist minister, who grew up in Detroit's inner city neighborhoods, Dyson is presently the Ida B. Wells-Barnett University Professor at DePaul University.

Other books by Dyson include **Race Rules: Navigating the Color Line, Between God and Gangsta Rap: Bearing Witness to Black Culture, Reflecting Black: African-American Cultural Criticism, and Making Malcolm: The Myth and Meaning of Malcolm X.**

The lecture is free and open to the public.

COLLEGE INITIATES NEW REGISTRATION SYSTEM

This summer Shelton State will have a new registration system that will be the first step in upgrading the college's registration process. Voice response automated telephone registration will begin at Shelton State on April 17 and continue through May 25. During this time, students may register anytime between 6 a.m. and midnight.

"We're excited because this new system will offer students a greater opportunity to register. Besides registering over the telephone with this new system, students may pay by credit card over the phone or receive semester grades. The only requirement is that students must be in our system. For example, If students have never attended the college, they must fill out an application form before registering over the new system," said Shelton Registrar Diane Layton.

According to Layton,

directions for registering are included in the **Summer Schedule of Classes**. If students need additional information, they may call the admissions office, (205) 391-2214.

HOLLAND NAMED TO NEW POSITION

Longtime Shelton employee Judy Holland has recently been named Tech Prep Coordinator for the college. In this new position, Holland will be responsible for coordinating the college's tech prep program and will serve as the technical liaison to the area high schools. In 1996 Holland was named "Support Staff Person of the Year" for Alabama's two year colleges. She is a native of Moundville, AL.

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SHELTON PERSONNEL PRESENT STUDY

Debbie Grimes, director of library services for the college, and Chuck Boening, library systems officer, recently completed a research paper of Shelton students entitled "Worries With the Web: A Look at Student Use of Web Resources." Because of their work, the College, University, and Special Libraries (CUS) Division of the Alabama Library Association asked them to speak at their state convention.

NEW ART EXHIBIT

Kim Kirkland-Lien will present a collection of black and white photographs representing her travels around the south as part of a photographic exhibit opening March 1 in the National Bank of Commerce Art Gallery at Shelton State. The exhibit, which will continue through April 7, is entitled "A Gathering of Angels" and is done in cibachrome and black and white. Kirkland-Lien is currently working on a book with the same title as the exhibit.

For more information on the exhibit, call ext. 2366.

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS SCHEDULED

TWO CONCERTS are planned for March as part of the Terrific Tuesdays Concert series.

On March 7, a Mardi Gras concert featuring the Shelton jazz band will entertain in the Atrium. Alan Blackshear directs the jazz band. On March 14, a faculty recital will feature early American songs by Aaron Copland. The recital will include Mark Brown, Glinda Blackshear, and Syble Coats. Narrator is Alan Blackshear.

The concerts are free and open to the public.

HELPING CHILDREN READ

Shelton State joined the University of Alabama and Stillman College in February by assisting with the Young Authors' Conference sponsored by the Black Warrior Reading Council. The conference enables school children from surrounding counties to meet and hear a nationally recognized author share his work. The children also had the opportunity to share work they had written and to attend the book making workshop.

March 2 is "Read Across America Day" and Shelton students, faculty, staff and administrators are invited to visit Shelton's Child Development Center to read to the children. Readers can visit for 15 minutes, or longer, anytime between 8 a.m. - noon and between 3-5 p.m.

Please share a book or a poem with a child. Encourage your friends to participate as

well. The sign-up sheet is on Fran Turner's door, office 2644. Questions? Call "Miss Carolyn" Edwards, ext. 2225.

SHELTON STATE PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

High school seniors from West Alabama who are planning on attending Shelton State Community College and are interested in the performing arts are encouraged to apply for a Performing Arts Scholarship. Scholarships are available in all areas of the fine arts departments including dance, art, theater, and music.

Students who want to apply for scholarships must complete a Performing Arts Scholarship application, write a brief essay on career goals, apply for admission to the college and submit a copy of a high school transcript with their scholarship application. After receiving students' scholarship applications, the college will invite these students to participate in Shelton State's "Fine Arts Day."

Applications are available from high school counselors and from the counseling center. Application deadline is March 1. For additional information, contact Syble Coats, 2270.